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SUBJECT: MALIAT AGREEMENT WITH THE COOK ISLANDS

¶1. Embassy received the following Diplomatic Note from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade on July 5, 2006. The Note has been faxed to EB/TRA and to EAP/ANP.

Begin Text:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the Multilateral Agreement on the Liberalization of International Air Transportation ("the Agreement") done at Washington on 1 May 2001 and to which the United States of America is a State Party, and to the Protocol to the Multilateral Agreement on the Liberalization of International Air Transportation ("the Protocol") done at Washington on 1 May 2001.

New Zealand, in its capacity as depositary, advised on 27 March 2006 that an Instrument of Accession to the Agreement and to the Protocol had been received from the Government of the Cook Islands. Pursuant to Article 20.5 of the Agreement, and Article 4.4 of the Protocol, any State Party who did not wish the Agreement or the Protocol to apply between that State Party and the Cook Islands must have notified the depositary accordingly, in writing, within ninety days.

As no State Party to the Agreement notified the depositary of such non-application, the Agreement shall enter into force between all States Parties to the Agreement and the Cook Islands on 23 July 2006, as the thirtieth (30th) day after the expiration of the ninety day period referred to above.

As no State Party to the Protocol notified the depositary of such non-application, the Protocol shall also enter into force between all States Parties to the Protocol and the Cook Islands on 23 July 2006.

The current status list for the Convention is attached for the United States of America's reference.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade takes this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade  
Wellington  
5 July 2006

End text.

¶2. The Current Status List for the convention mentioned in the Diplomatic Note will be forwarded to the Department via fax.

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